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Bill,

Please send copy of you proposal to Marty R. and Marty P.

Seems to be some issue?

Thanks

From: William Gibbons (wgibbons) [mailto:wgibbons@memphis.edu]
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Jim, Marty, and Marty:

In November, the University of Memphis Public Safety Institute submitted a proposal to the foundation to fund an in-depth evaluation and assessment of the implementation and impact of certain law enforcement practices in Memphis.

Implementation of these practices are part of the local Operation: Safe Community plan - community-wide plan the implementation of which is spearheaded by the Memphis Shelby Crime Commission. (For a complete review of the plan, go to www.memphiscrime.org or www.operationsafecommunity.org.) The practices are modeled after evidence-based and evidence-informed practices in other cities, including, but not limited to, data-driven approaches applied in New York City, use of geographic court-issued safety zones to combat gang violence in Los Angeles, and a focused deterrence approach in Boston.

These practices are being implemented in Memphis in ways that recognize the unique needs and circumstances of our community.

The proposal we have submitted entails a deep-dive look at both implementation and impact. It will

involve both U of M faculty and graduate assistants and is intended to serve as a means of:

- Accounting for correct implementation by MPD (and other law enforcement as well in the case of geographic safety zones and focused deterrence) and
- Measuring the impact of implementation as it has actually occurred and recommending any changes that need to be made.

We believe this applied research is critical to determining and sustaining approaches for Memphis that can reduce our crime rate (a crime rate that, as Mayor Strickland notes, is unacceptable).

We would welcome the opportunity to make a presentation to the board and answer any questions you may have.

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